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THE USUAL RESULT.

come caps. The caps were handed har

She placed one on the gun, and laughingly

TREASURER MURDERED.

nother Terrible Tragedy in the Empire of Texas-Safe Robbed of Thousands.

skull, and his throat was cut from ear to ear. The safe containing the county

money was robbed of \$10,000 or \$12,000. The messenger came to Marshall for the

purpose of securing aid from Sheriff Perry, with his bloodhounds, to trace up.

if possible, the murderer. Great excite-

CURRENT TOPICS.

DENVER proposes to bore for gas and eil.

Unvoyay has abolished all export du-LILLIAN OLCOTT carries \$90,000 life insu-

EDGEFIELD, Tenn., has a belle named BARTON McGucken, the opera tenor, gets

THE King of Siam, thirty years old, has Dana asks five million dollars for his

KRUPP, the gun-maker, is pressing Tur key for cash due.

Ovenment wires in Berlin are all to be placed underground. Snow shoveling bees are an ingenious recreation in Nebraska.

JEFFERSON's will is on file in the old district building at Washington. "PATIENTS Healed by Divine Aid" is the sign of a faith doctor in Boston A KANSAS CITY bank cashier can tell a

bad bill by the sound of the paper. GENERAL JOE JOUNSTON, now seventy-five, is well preserved and as straight as

A 6000 many have been cut up and built over, but there are still 434 burying grounds in London. Escary million dollars will be paid this year in pensions. Ten years ago \$27,000,000 was paid in pensions.
It is said that during the last century

about two thousand species of insects have been discovered yearly. Tun farmers of the Northwest are loud

complaining of the great blockade en the Canadian Pacific road. An Arkansaw court has sentenced a man to three years' imprisonment for stealing a two-dollar Bible.

Mayon Rocus, of Chicago, will not allow children to buy eigurettes if he can help it. And he thinks he can help it,

A BLIND cat at Oswego, N. Y., prowls bout all over town, but always finds its way home without assistance. Some of the Nashville ministers are

moving against the publication of their church notices in the Sunday morning pa-A New York correspondent asserts that ere are fifty widows in that city with

fortunes ranging from \$1,000,000 to \$15. As unfortunate Maine baby that hap-pened to be born on the day of her grand-parents' golden wedding was named Anna

Pore Leo is very fond of the classical languages, of which he has a wide and critical knowledge. He knows Horace and Virgil by heart.

BERRY, the English bangman, has exe-

cuted 113 persons up to the present time, sixteen of them having been in Ireland and two in Scotland. As a result of John L. Sullivan's British

career, a dealer has sold three hundred sets of boxing gloves, as against about a dozen the year before. Au Lin Bin, the richest Chinaman in San Francisco, is a millionairo, and there is a Chinaman in Laporte, Cal., whose fortune

is reckened at \$2,000,000. Bon Toomas' monument is having a hard The first one was sunk at sea. The nd proves to be of defective marble,

A nemb of almost 2,000 Angora goals, "about which nobody knows any thing," it is reported, are running at large along the manks of Little Wood River, L. T. THE Vienna correspondent of the London Times says the Hungarian press records with regret an alarming increase in emi-

gration from Hungary to America. The wife of Mr. John B. Shelton, of Patton, Mo., recently gave birth to three fine

boys, weighing 22% pounds. They have been named Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. A Pour HURON man has won the ever

lasting gratitude of near-sighted men by inventing a hitching-post which drops out of sight whenever no horse is attached Ir has been decided in the Pennsylvania

Supreme Court that a person may fry onlone, regardless of the inconvenience the odor of the cooking gives to the neigh EVERYTHING is lovely in Europe, agcord-

ing to Bismarck, but it is necessary to in-crease the German reserve force 700,000 in order that this state of things may con-PROF. St. ANDREWS, of the Central Ex-

perimental Farm of Canada, proposes try-ing some experiments with a hardy varie-ty of tea grown in Japan, and which, it is counful in the Do oped, may prove suc OLD "BUCKSKIN," the horse rode by Lies

tenant Baker, of Lansing, Mich., in the capture of J. Wilkes Booth, died in that city a few days ago. His skin will be ted and placed on exhibition in the State museum

the Metropolitan Bank, Cincinnati, when he discovered that the crash was inevitable, did not De Camp. Probably he could not leave without Means. This is not copyrighted.

MEMBERS from Arkansas in the House

efuse to recognize any other pronuncia-tion of the name of their State than Ar-kansaw, the Legislature having declared that to be the only legal designation of that Commonwealth.

FLORIDA promises to become a large pro ducer of epium. The poppy grows there very readily and larger than anywhere clee in the United States. Sixteen plants will produce an ounce of opium and an acreshould give a profit of \$1,000.

MISSIONER COLMAN, of the Agricul tural Burcau, receives many queer letters. A recent one requested "a remedy for spavin in hosses," and addressing him as "Government Farmer," suggested that he enght to look after such matters.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES O. ROBINSON AND solid citizens of Charleston, Mass. They have been married fifty years; Mr. Robinson weighs 278 pounds, Mrs. Robinson weighs 225, and of their seven living chil none weighs less than 200 pounds.

PRINCESS BEATRICE is so effended with he treatment of her husband Prince Heary enburg, that she hardly speaks to thers or sisters. She has pe Utloned the Queen to make her husband a Duke, and is desirous of abdicating her

WM. J. DRAKE and Miss Lou Wasse married at the home of the bride Paols, Kas. This is one of the smallest (if not the smallest) couples in that State, the group being forty inches high and weighing 30 pounds, and the bride lirty-eight inches high and weighing 70 ounds.

TERRIFIC FIGHT

Between a Man and a Powerful Newfoundland Dog.

Fearfully Lacerated About the Throat, th Man is About to Give Up When His Wife Hands Him a Butcher Knife.

St. Louis, Feb. 8 .- Christ Hoelcher was nearly killed Faturday evening by his two-year-old Newfoundland dog, which he had raised to guard the premises at night. The brute was vicious to all except Hoelcher's family, and was kept chained during the day. On this evening he was given the freedom of the butcher's back yard, and when Christ claimed the right to rule there, and enforced his claim with a kick, there, and caterood his claim with a kick, the dog flew at him and a terrible fight ensued for ten minutes, in which four members of the Hoelcher family took part sgainst the dog. The brute, weighing 16: pounds, notwithstanding the shower of blows raised upon him on all sides, seemed bent on Hoelcher's throat, and pinned the strong butcher's left arm across his chest as he gnawed to the bone. Knocked down by the powerful blows of the butcher, the dog flew back at his master and tore his breast and sides with his sharp fangs until the pain and loss of blood weak-ened the man and he fell to the ground in the power of the frenzied brute. Mrs. Houlcher's presence of mind saved the man. Early in the fight she had procured a butcher-knife, but was unable to use it without danger to her husband. The blade was quickly passed to him, and in a jiffy the dog fell dead, his head nearly severed from his body. Hoelcher is in a very critical condition, his chest, neck and arms being badly lacerated. His recovery is thought to be very doubtful.

MEANEST MAN ON RECORD.

He Steals a Half Dollar From a Dead Man's Eye and Replaces It With a Cent. St. IGNACE, MICH., Feb. 8.-The old adage

of a man "being mean enough to steal cents off a dead man's eyes" has been actually worked out here, and the mean est man on earth, James Hughes by name has been arrested, and is now in jail for the offense. Yesterday Watson Sherman was accidentally killed, and the body was laid out in Walker's undertaking rooms. The dead man's face was battered horribly, and a the laid dollar was any on one of the has been for the silver half dollar was put on one of the eyes to hold the lid down. Hughes loafed about the body until he thought he was about the body until he thought he was unobserved, and then he stole the silver piece, substituting a copper cent in its place. Hughes was soon after arrested and pleaded guilty, but excused himself on the plea that he had been drinking and did not know what he was doing. During the trial the court-room was crowded, and the spectators shouted: "Brain the blackguard!" "Tar and feather the brute." "Ivench him!" and the mar-"Brain the blackguard?" "Tar and feather the brute?" "Lynch him?" and the mar-shal had to keep a strict watch for the safety of the prisoner. Judge Rutherford held Hughes in \$1,000 ball, and he will be tried for his sacriligious larceny at the next session of the circuit court.

REARRESTED.

De Camp Surrendered by His Bondsmer

CINCINNATI, Feb. 8. -Vice-President John R. De Camp, of the Metropolitan Bank, was surrendered to the Government to day by his bendamen. It looked for a long time like Mr. De Camp would be unable to bondsmen, and that the compelled to go But after a great deal hustling the p oper signatures were so cured, and De Camp was released. The arrest of President Means and Vice President De Camp does not mean that they are the only ones the Government will prosecus. Notwithstanding the fact that there will be no more arrests, there will be several sensational developments when the grand jury meets. The jury was dismissed by Judge Sage until next Tuesday at the session. Besides the cases of Mr Means and De Camp, those of Director Duckworth, Roth and Gerke will also be presented. The charges will be that of misapplying the funds of the bank. It is understood that a number of other officer, will be indicted.

Uncommon Kind of "Honesty."

HIGHMORE, DAK., Feb. 8 .- Homer James, the Hyde County treasurer, who is \$10,000 short in his accounts, has been discharged after a thorough and earnest prosecution. The cause of this action was that James was strictly honest and had not profite personally by the shortage. He had sim-ply been good-natured and lent county money to any friend who asked him, taking neither receipt or note.

Cricago, Feb. 8.-Amos J. Snell, a milhis morning, at his residence, 425 Washington Boulevard. The object was rob-bery. Three arrests were made of suspibery. Three arrests were made of suspi-cious characters, with strong circumstan-tial evidence of their guilt. The assassins secured nothing but non-negotiable paper for their night's work.

Oil in Indian Territory.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—A dispatch from Lehigh, I. T., says: Oil was struck here yesterday at a depth of 917 feet, and is flowing at the rate of a barrel an hour.

In the First Degree.

Nashville, Feb. 8.—Henry Marshall, who killed Wm. Mason, at Soddy, Tenn.. has been found guilty of murder in the first

A Terrible Fall. DETROIT, Feb. 8.—John Rice, pit boss at the Lucy Mine, Negaunce, Mich., fell into a shaft 150 feet deep and was instantly killed.

Another Cable Accident.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 8.—One person was atally mangled and ten others injured in a accident on the cable road this even-In going down a grade the grip be the disarranged and the train went town the road at a terrific rate, colliding with another train standing at the botto

Died of a Broken Heart. CHATTANOGOA, TENN., Feb. S.-A. H. Green, father of Miss Jessie Green, wha was killed on the Cincinnati Southern railroad, died suddenly, in this city, of a

UNDER THE KNIFE.

Tracheotomy Performed Upon the Crown

Prince. San Remo, Feb. 2.—The breathing of the Crown Prince was found to be much worse this morning, and, at a consultation of the physicians in attendance, it was decided physicians in Richardec, it was decided that the operation of tracheotomy must be performed to-day. A telegram had been sent to Professor Bergmann, at Borlin, urging him to hasten his arrival, but at noon the dectors, doubtful whether it would be safe to await Dr. Bergmann's arrival, came to the conclusion to successfully carried out at three o'clock enced relief as the result of the operation. The medical experts state their belief that the chances for recovery are largely in-creased by the soothing effects of the patient's improved respiration. Not a tea-spoonful of blood was lost. The duration of the operation was ten minutes, and was performed without the use of chloroform, Dr. Mackenzie fearing it would complicate matters. The Prince's respiration is now casy and natural, and he has slept quietly during the evening.

FOUND IN A CHICKEN-COOP.

A Fat Pocket-Book Picked Up By the Owner of Some Missing Fowls. ARRON, O., Feb. 9.-H. Hilliard, a rest-ent of Doylestown, near here, made a very strange discovery in his chicken-corp this strange discovery in his chicken-co p this morning. For some time past he has noticed that his chickens were being stolen, and this morning the number of fowls were again considerably reduced. He, however, found a rich reward in a pocket-book that lay in the coop and that ntained \$85 in cash, besides the name of well-known business man of Wadsworth, about five miles from Doylestown. As to how that pocket-book got into Hijliard's chicken-coop is the talk of the town.

English Parliament Opened. LONDON, Feb. 9.—Parliament opened this morning. The Queen's speech, after congratulating the country upon its pacific foreign relations, announces the intention of the Government to introduce a bill declaring squares and thoroughfares unsuitable for public gatherings, a bill of broad scope dealing with Irish land valuation, and an English local Government bill. The speech expresses satisfaction at the dimi-nution of crime and the improved social condition in Ireland. Other measures an-nounced are bills relating to land transfers, titles, amendment of the limited lin bility companies acts, employers' liability for accidents, and improved technical edu-cation. The speech does not refer to the European crisis.

Smiled on the Gallows.

Utics, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Clement Arthur Day was executed in the jail this morning. Day clapped his hands after the death war-rant was read and smiled. On walking over the ice in the jail-yard he laughed heartily over the falls of the sheriff, Rev. E. Owen, a newspaper reporter and Spe-cial Deputy Burke, exclaiming: "That's four of them." He yawned while his legs were being strapped on the scaffold. He assisted Deputy Ballow in adjusting the rope about his neck, and smiled us the cap was being drawn over his face, and when the body was cut down the smile was still

Confessions by Wholesale.

of the Evening Times publishes a sensa of the Leening Times publishes a sensa-tional story concerning Wm. Patterson, the colored murderer, who was recently respited by Governor Buckner for a month. Patterson was to have been hanged Janu-ary 27. An old negro named John Crow, who was confined in jail with Patterson. says the latter confessed to him the crim crimes for which innocent men now suf

A Frighful Death.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., Feb. 9.-J. B. Mullen, a well-known citizen of this city. was walking on the track of the B. and O out, when the fast passenger train rushed round the bend. The train struck Mulle and knocked him under the wheels, com plotely severing his head and crushing the body to a shapeless mass. The remains were gathered together and sent to his

The Mercury Freezes in Minnesota

St. Paul, MINN, Feb. 2.-Some low ten western points during the past twenty-our hours. At Duluth the minimum was 34 deg, below last night. From Pembina Dak., 62 below is reported; at Montevideo, Minn., the mercury froze. At 6 a. m. it was 54 below at Crookston, Minn., at Neche Dak., 56 below last night, at Moorehead Minn., 44 below.

For Life.

OTTAWA, ILL., Feb. 9.-The jury this morning in the circuit court returned a verdict of guilty and imprisonment for life agninst Geo. Bolzer, who murdered his cousin, Nicholas Hau, at Streater on July 15 last. On a former trial the jury recommended the defendant to be hung.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The special committee appointed to make an examination and count of the internal revenue stamp in the vaults of the Commissioner of Iu ternal Revenue, at the close of business January 14, last, has submitted its report to the Secretary. Every stamp was found to be properly accounted for

Only Two Hundred Lives Lost. YANKTON, DAK., Feb. 2.—The president of the Yankton board of trade publishes a statement that there were not more than two hundred lives lost by the blizzard, and not one thousand, as has been reported.

Thousands of Marriages Illegal. by a Minneapolis deputy show that thou-sands of marriages in Hennepin County during the past twenty years are not legal, the requirements of the law not having been observed. Sr. Paul, Minn., Feb. 9 .- Investigations a pig pen, almost within the city limits and destroyed nearly two thosand pound of live hogs. A party of men started out this morning to kill the wolves.

Learning the New System. Journ, Itt., Feb. 9 .- Prison official from all parts of the country are here for a course of three days' instruction in the Berillion system of identification now in use in Russiau, French and other prisBLOWN TO PIECES.

Two Tons of Plasting-Powder Exploded.

Entire Village Destroyed by the Conc

sion-Four Men Killed Outright and Forty Persons Wounded. WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 10 .- The entire Wyoming Valley was thrown into conster-nation to-day by an explosion which was felt distinctly for a ditatance of fifteen or twenty miles, and which was also percepoperate immediately. Dr. Bramann was tible for at least forty miles from the sense to perform the operation, which was the scene of the disaster. The trouble successfully carried out at three o'clock occurred at the Wapwallopen Powder twenty. successfully carried out at three o'clock in the afternoon in the large sitting-room of the villa, which had been converted into a bed-room. Drs. Mackenzie, Lovel, Schroder and Krauze were present. They all expressed their entire approval of the manner in which it was done. The Crown Prince bore the pain without flinching, and soon experienced relief as the result of the operation. The medical experts state their belief that powder, which was supplied in great quantities to the many coal mines in the vicinity. The explosion was the most vicinity. The explosion was the most vicinity. The ever occurred in the Wy-oming Valley. The force of the shock was distinctly felt here. The windows in all the buildings rattled and efficials at the court-house say the big building shook violently. At Nanticoke and Wavamie chimneys toppled from the roofs of buildings, and children ran in terror from the school-houses. Men and women flocked toward the mines, where they thought the explosion had happened, and where the members of their families were at work. At Shikshinny the glass in almost every window was broken, and many persons were thrown to the ground. At Hazelton the entire town was thrown into the most intense excitement. Every body at once ran into the streets, supposing that a general cave-in of the town was about to coeur. Word was speedily received. Wapwallopen nearly every building was damaged or wrecked, the latter including the new Methodist Church,

makes the aggregate over forty-nine mil

ion. The increase is nearly as large in milch cows as in other cattle. In sheep the

bers of swine, less than one per cent

Rotten Vessels.

OTTAWA, ONT., Feb. 10.— Evidence against the manner in which the Damin

on Government permits versels totally

and waters have been brought out. Nine

enths of the large loss of life and property in the lakes last season was due to the

lack of inspection, for which the Government is responsible, in permitting rotte

old hulks to trade and carry freight on

hese waters. The lakes are literally alive

More Powerful Than Ever.

discovered that the old ring, which form

Express Robber Convicted.

CHATTANOGA, TENN., Peb. 10.—John White was convicted to-day of robbing

the Southern Express Company's office, in

this city, of 8500, and scatenced to the per

Sentenced to Death. Rochesten, N. Y., Feb. 10.-Edwin A Deacons, convicted of the murder of Mrs

Ada Stone, was sentenced to be hanged

Thursday, April 5. An appeal will be taken

Supersedeas for Tom Woolfolk.

Fast Mail Service.

Washington, Fob. 10.-The Postmaste

eneral will make an effort to get ma rom San Francisco to New York in 11

Wolves Raiding the Suburbs.

Sr. CLOUD, MINN., Feb. 10.-Wolves has

become dangerously numerous in this vicinity. Last night several made a raid of

Washiseren, Feb. 10.—The Comptroller of the Currency has appointed James Mo Conville, of Stenbenville, O., to be re-ceiver of the Metropolitan Bank of Gine n-

oplum smuggling at San Francis

with these floating coffins.

\$30,910,848 in January, 1887.

itentiary for four years.

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community are out searching for the mur-Sale Blowers Caught in the Act. CRAWFORDSTILLE, IND., Feb. 12.—Two professional safe blowers were arrested at 1 o'clock this morning at Alamo, a small which had only been dedicated last week, and stood three hundred feet town ten miles west of the city, while drilling the safe in M. J. Myers' dry goods from the scene of the explosion. The explosion occurred in the packing house, where about two tons of what is store. They gave their names as Charles Burton and Adam Shaffer. Both claim to known as giant powder, an explosive used be from Evansville, and say their former occupation was freight handlers on the almost wholly by the coal miners, were stored. The cause of the explosion course will never be told. The concussion river boats from Evansville down the Ohio and Mississippi river. They had a comwas terrific, and every thing was leveled in a second. Four men were instantly killed, they being blown to pieces, and their remains were gathered up far from variety of jewelry was found in their possession when arrested. the scine of the accident and placed Strange Subterranean Fires. MEMPHIS, TEXN., Feb. 12 -The denized

the scine of the accident and placed in boxes. The can-house situated about one hundred yards away from the packing-house, was demolished, and only one person of the ten employed there escaped injury. Besides the killed over forty persons were slightly injured by fragments of flying glass or other debris. The cause of the accident is not known, as all those who were in the buildof the neighborhood of Sigler's Linding, Tipton County, Tenn., on the Mississipp. river, are greatly exercised in regard to fires which have been burning beneath the surface ever since the forest fires of last fall in their vicinity. The blaze is constantly issuing from known, as all those who were in the buildcrevices in the earth, and not even the recent heavy snow and sleet and rains seem Farm Animal Statistics. to have any effect on it. The belief pre-vails that there is a bed of coal beneath

Washington, Feb. 19.—The February statistical report of the Department of the surface which caught during the fire Agriculture relates to numbers and va ues of farm animals. There is a reported in-Counterfeit Silver Certificates. crease in horses, mules and cattle and a decrease in sheep and swine. The largest WASHINGTON, Feb. 12:-The Secret Sor rice Division of the Treasury Department has discovered that a new counterfelt of the five-dollar silver certificates has been put in circulation. The bill is about threemillion. The increase in mules average: 314 sixteenths of an inch too short. There are per cent. The increase in cattle is 234.

no distinctive lines in the paper. The general appearance is good and liable to de-

decline appears to be between two and three per cent., the aggregate of flocks being about forty-three and a bulf mill-Pirrishungu, Pa., Feb. 12.-Mr. B. F. an Committee, has received a letter from Mr. Blaine, dated Florence, Italy, January million. The aggregate value of all farm animals is \$5,000,000 more than a year sented to the National Republican Co. vention as a candidate for the Presidentla

Forged Tickets to the Walking Match. New York, Feb. 12.—One John Murphy was arraigned in the police court to-day on a charge of having forged about \$250 worth of tickets to the recent six days' go-as-you-please walk at Madison Square Garden. He confessed, and was held for trial.

Sued for Damages. CHATTANOGA, TENN., Feb. 12.-W. J. Co. burn has brought suit against W. T. Burkham, in this city, for \$25,000 damages fo malicious prosecution, growing out of a former trial, in which Colburn was charged

NASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—A special agen of the Treasury, investigating the reported with perjury. On a Tour of Inspection. Topena, Kas., Feb. 12.—Three delegates from the African Emigration Association erly imported opium by the tou, has been reconstructed and is more powerful than of this city, are on their way to the Dark Continent on a tour of inspection, with a view to colonizing colored people in that Washington, Feb. 10.—Cotton exports from the United States during January past aggregated 549,474 bales, valued at \$29,070,490, against 682,354 bales, valued at

Engineer Killed. SCHANTON, Pa., Feb. 12.-This afterno two locomotives collided on the Eric and Wyoming railroad, near Pittston. Coe Siegel, of Dunmore, an engineer, was instantly killed. Both engines were de-

Natural Gas in Texas, FORT WORTH, TEX., Feb. 12.—Gas was struck here at a depth of 380 feet. A rush of gas, accompanied by a cloud of sand, came from the well with a roar that could

be heard a considerable distance Publicly Whipped. NEWCASTLE, DEL., Feb. 12.-Seven no

groes and six whites, convicted of petty larcenies, were whipped with from five to ten lashes each to-day. About two hun-Macon, Ga., Feb. 10.—Tom Woolfolk, who killed uine members of his family, was not hanged to-day. A supersedens had

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The Past denies the truth of the rumor that negotiations are eing made with England to join a Franco-Russian alliance -A c'rison claims to be the coasting city of Kansas, and the Champion asserts that there is more fun on the

Atchison hills than at the St. Paul les palace or the famous toboggan chutes of Canada. -It is estimated that in the last ten North Carolina has expended 3,000,000 for commercial fertilizers,

while the value of the crops has been only \$15,000,000.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

Young Lady Playfully Fires an Old Mus-Legislative Proceedings. PRASKFORT, Feb. 4.—SENATE.—A response was received from the Auditor to the resolution requiring the cost of the Geological Survey since its organization. The amount expended Olney, Ill., Feb. 12.—Edward Ivy, aged seventeen, was accidentally killed by a young lady named Miss Shelly, about the same age, yesterday afternoon, at St. Marie, Ill., a village twenty miles north of here. A party of young gentlement and ladies were gathered at the residence of Mr. Shelly, when some of the party proposed to take a hunt. Miss Shelly rushed in the house, brought an old musket supposed to be unleaded, and asked some of the men to allow her to snap come cans. The cans were handed by. OLNEY, ILL., Feb. 12.-Edward Ivy, aged under Prof. Shaler for seven years, 1873-50, was 16,522.40. Under Prof. Procter the expense has been for eight years, 1880-68, for the Geological Survey and Bureau of Immigration 802,007,00, of which \$85,500 was on account of Bureau of Immigration. Mr. Goebel reported a bill to amend Sec. 27, Art. 6, Chap. 62 of the General Statutes. It provides for the settlement and to facilitate the payment of witness fees in certain cases. Passed

certain cases. Passed certain cases. Passed,
House,—Another veto communication was
received by the House from the Governor this
moraing. The bill vetoed is entitled "An act
to incorporate the Rugby Railroad and Mining
Company." Consideration of the message was
made a special order for Tuesday at 11 o'clock.
About sixty bills of a local nature were rushed
through. sale placed one on the gun, and languing)
raised it, saying: "Ed, I will play hunt
with you," pulled the trigger, when, to the
horrer of all, the gun went off, the charge
striking Ivy square in the forehead, tear-

ing off the top of his head and killing him instantly. The parties to the affair are well respected, and the accident has cast a gloom over the little village. FRANKFORT, Feb. 6.-SENATE -Leave to FRANKFORT, Feb. 6.—SENATE.—Leave to bring a good many bills, none of them important, was granted. A communication was laid before the Senate from the Auditor, in response to a Senate resolution of inquiry as to the expenditure of moneys paid for legal services in the interest of the State, and calling for the names of attorneys and amounts paid them for legal services in the past four years outside of the fees paid the Attorney General. The report was ordered printed. Following is the list of attorneys and their fees: James P. Helm, #919.15; James P. Helm, #90; Z. C. Wickinfe, #900; Helm & Bruce, #100; Brown, Humphries & Davie, \$0,000; Alvin Duvail, #5,000; J. P. Helm, #3,000. JEFFERSON, TEX., Feb. 12.-At three o'clock this morning a messenger arrived at Marshall, direct from Carthage, thirty miles distant, bringing news of the murder of Mr. Hill, county treasurer of Panola County, by some: unknown party or parties, about dusk Saturday las.
Mr. Hill was struck three times on the head with an axe, crushing his

phries & Davie, 80,000; Alvin Duvali, 80,000; J. P. Helm, 82,000.

House,—Mr. Blanford introduced a bill for the benefit of laborers, etc., who perform labor on railroads, canals, etc. Passed, A resolution was offered to uppoint a committee to investigate the charitable and penal institutions of the State, and to reports their needs and wants. A resolution favoring the navment of certain A resolution favoring the payment of certain losses at Cynthiana by fire during a raid of the late war was passed. Mr. Newman offered a bill to incorporate the Bolar & Coyne Detective Agency, of Newport.

Agency, of Newport.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 7.—Senate —Several unimportant leaves were granted and bills offered. A resolution was presented asking for a copy of all contracts in regard to convict labor. An act incorporating the Cincinnati, Chicago and Charieston Hridge Company was possed. Senator Berry offered a resolution that the Senators and Representatives in Congress be requested to rote for the bill for the crection of a monument; the late William Henry Harrison. House.—A perfect flood of bills were presented on the call of the counties, principal among which was one to provide for the taxation of the bridges across the Ohio and Mississippi rivers; to provide for the punishment of incendiarism; to regulate the management of incendiarism; to regulate the management of and discipline of the penitentiary. Mr. New-man addressed the House on the relation of Mason, Ford & Co., who employ convict labor, charging that they control the legislation of the State as well as the executive departments, and a vigorous protest was made.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 8.-SENATE-The appro priation bill for the Cincinnati Exposition, which was defeated last week, was called up and referred to the Special Committee on Geo logical Survey. The text-book bill was defeated. A committee was appointed to investigate the provisions of the Thomas branch penitentiary bill.

Hotse-Burchett's resolution concerning the HOUSE.—Burchett's resolution concerning the removal of the Capitol was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. J. A. Sparks, a defeated contestant, petitioned for the stenographer's report of proceedings in his case on the refunding of the price paid for same. The Governor's veto of the bill incorporating the Home for Aged and Indigent Women, of Covington, was up as a special order, and the bill was passed over the Governor's veto by a vote of 66 to 10.

FRANKFORT, Feb. 9.—SENATE.—Bills intro-duced: Giving circuit judges \$0.00 per year; increasing the responsibility of railroads where limbs; increasing the power of the railroad commission. At 11 o'clock the consideration of the renewal of the charter of the old. Gas. Company at Louisville was taken up. This question has provoked more discussion and has excited more comment than all the measures that have een before the Legislature. A vigorous debate or two hours, in which natural gas was the nost prominent feature, resulted in a complete fictory for the company, the vote standing 2 o 8 in its favor. House-After roll-call Mr. Myers offered a

resolution, providing for an assistant cierk, as the business has accumulated to such a degree that the present force can not handle it. It is a time honored custom and passed without any trouble. Mr. Hervey kellar, son of the chief clerk, received the appointment. A bill, submitting the wet or dry question to the voters of Springdale Precinet in Jefferson County, was passed. Mr. Reed offered a bill providing that all fines and forfeitures collected under the State laws be turned into the treasury. The bill passed as offered. Mr. Nesbit's bill in result to the providence of the county of the providence of the county of the providence of the county of the bill passed as offered. Mr. Nesbit's bill in re-gard to the punishment for carrying concealed weapons came up. The bill provides if any person shall carry or sell a deadly weapon oth-er than an ordinary pocket-knife he shall be fined \$100 upon conviction. If the fine is not paid he is to be placed in charge of the jailer at hard labor until it is worked out at two dollars hard labor until it is worked out at two dollars per day. The bill does not include females. Mr. Long, of Shelby, succeeded in getting in an amendment fining the jailer the sum of five dollars per day for failure to enforce the penalties provided by the bill. The vote on the bill as amended stood—yeas 41, mays 89. Mr. Mulligan called up Senate resolution to ask Congress for an appropriation for a monument to William Henry Harrison, to be exhibited in connection with the Kentweise synthia at the Chemont. with the Kentucky exhibit at the Cinemani Centennial Exposition. FRANKFORT, Feb. 10.—SENATE.—Bills pussed:

Incorporating the Richmond Hotel Company; incorporating the Wir dom and Hickman Turnpile Company; incorporating the Paducah and Illinois Bridge Company; incorporating the Louisville Public Warchouse Company; incorporating the Carbon and Iron Company of Kentoky, Resolution and Iron Company of Resolution a tucky. Resolution asking Congress to re burse certain citizens of Cynthian; for los burse certain citizens of Cynthian i for losses sustained by fire during the war. Bill to increase the sainries of the circuit judges to (3,000 per year was discussed for an hour and then recommitted to the committee that reported it. House—Bills introduced: To amend article 12: chapter 23, of the General Statutes, making the person bribled a competent and sufficient witness against the person bribling. To incorporate the Clifton, Newport, Coving on and Cinciunati Street Railway Company. Making the fees of justices of the peace in this State the same as those allowed to clerks for similar services. To provide for a tax on sleeping cars in this State. The bill to amend the concealed weapon law was then brought up, and the vote by which it passed yesterday was reconsidered and the amendment requiring the county juster to work prisoners at hard labor was rejected. A fillbustering element proceeded as the burn of A fillbustering element preceded to delay a vote on the bill, and succeeded, as the bour of adjournment scrived before any thing could be

Beechwood, Owen County, and B. W. Wat-son commissioned postmaster. Post-orrices have been establised at Berkshire, Boone County, and at Loaneke, LaRue County, and M. C. Carroll and J. C. Peters appointed postmasters respect

George B. Higgins, a wealthy young man of Lexington, who recently left for parts nuknown, and whose young wife is -Cigarette smoking has been pro-hibited in the City Hall at New York. M. F. CONLEY Publisher.

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California, the largest State in the Union except Texas is 700 miles long with an average width of 250 miles. The Sierra Nevada and Goast Isange of mountains run parallel, northeast and southwest, the Sierras having an altitude of from 8,000 to 14,000 feet, and they are divided by a number of valleys and rivers, the principal one better the Secrement valley 900 number of valleys and rivers, the principal one being the Sacramento valley, 200 miles in length and 45 miles average width, through which runs the Sacramento river, a navigable stream for about 150 miles from its entrance into Sulaun bay, a small bay at the head of the hay of San Francisco.

Sacramento valley proper includes the counties of Sacramento, Yota. Butte. Te-hama, Colusa, Sutter, Yolo and Solane, these being bordered by the mountain counties of Amador, El Dorado, Piscer, Nevada Sierra, Flumas, Shasta, Trinity, Mendocino, Like and Napa, affording a great variety of soil and climate, owing to

the difference in elevation. The soil of the valley counties bordering The soil of the valley counties bordering upon the S.cramento river is principally a dark, rich adobe and allovial soil, and well adapted to the growth of cereals. Along the foot hills varieties of soil from black adobe to light sandy soil appears. The lower slopes of the mountains contain different soil, some being sands, of light color, others light clay, and much a deep red clay. The summits are more rocky and volcanic, and the soils vary, some being clay hills, sandy ridges, loamy meadows and deep, rich valleys in the very tops of the mountains, being the favor to resort of large herds of sheep and cattle during the summer months.

mer months.
Stretching along the foot-hills and up the mountain sides to the altitude of 2,500 feet is what is known as the "thermal belt," It is is what it known as the the rima belt. It is
in this telt where the warm air lingers when
the sun go's down, and to which the warm
air riess when the first rays of the morning
sun are thrown upon the valley. Tender
plants and semi-tropical fruits are grown
in profusion, as was fully demonstrated at
the Citrus fair beld in Oraville, Butle Countropical and the country of the cou the Citrus fair held in Oraville, Butte County, in December last. This "thermal belt" is also noted for liswonderful curative qualities in lung and asihmatic complaints. But very little good Gov rament or railroad land near the railroads or rivers remain. Isnd is worth from \$5 to \$500 per acre according to location and improvements. In the foothill region land is selling from \$5 to \$50 per acre. In the valley localering on the Sacramento river large ranches of from Sacramento river large ranches of from 1,000 to 60,000 acres have been the prevailing feature. As population comes in these will be subdivided and on their roh al uvial soil thousands of small farms, the homes of thrifty families, will be estab-lished, but this can not be accomplished intil the population increases and there is a demand. The population of this great State is about 1,500,000, but it is capable of supporting 10,000,000, people.

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All this wast region of soil, water and climate, unsurprissed by any other, now invites population—not lazy, shiftless, impecunious persons, such would soon starve or be found begging—but men with brain, and muscle, and enough money to give them a fair start, enough to stusian them while improving the lands, to make the produce that for which nature intendified them—such men, if with nature intendified to secure at moderate cost such a home as will be pleasant and profitable. A man with a family willing to help him, if he has from \$1,000 to \$3,000 in hand, is safe to make a beginning which, if he is judicious,

make a beginning which, if he is judicious, abould lead him to prosperity. Two branches of the Central Pacific raitand the intermediate towns the other on he west side, via Woodland Willows and Williams and intermediate towns uniting at Tehams, the now head of navigation on Sacramento river. From thence the road Sacramento river. From thene having been completed with'n the last s xty days, opening up country wonderfully rich in f rming timber and mineral need-nets.

Until the past five years the raising of whilst and barley was the principal occu-pation of the farmers of the Sacramento valley, the grain being transported to Europe on ships, but the completion of three trans-continental railroads—the Central Pacific, Southern Pacific and the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, with the prospect o Topeka & Santa Fe, with the prospect of other roads soon coming, affording increased facilities and reduced rates of transportation, has given a wonderful impetus toward raising fruit, and California will soon be considered the garden spot of the world. The Sacramento valley has supplied nins-tenths of the fruit sent E. st, and the "Fruit Growers" Union," an association of farmers, in the year 1887 sold their fruit in New York and Boston on the anction in New York and Boston on the anction plan and with gratifying success. It will be tried in other cities this coming season, with reduced rates of transportation, so that sixty million of people in the United States can afford to purchase these California for to and the progress and develop-ment of the fruit business will be something wonderful

The largest grain-growers in the valleys do their plowing with gang plows and th ir harves ing with the latest improved th ir harves ing with the latest improved machinery. Consequent y farm hands in the p at h: d employment only during a portion of the year, but since the fruit and vine business is coming to the front, more and continuous labor is required, and in some of the more advanced fruit districts during the fruit picking season the school vacations are extended in order to allow the children to assist in securing the crops.

Fruit commissioned driers are being es-Fruit conneries and driers are being es-tablished and thousands of tons of fruit Frait commeries and driere are being established and thousands of tons of fruit are preserved in this manner. Good form hands get from \$25 to \$30 per month by the year; harvest hands, \$1.50 to \$2.50 per day; mechanics, from \$2 to \$4 per day; good house servants, from \$15 to \$30 per month, and are scarce. Chinese are largely employed in house service, but could be sasily displaced by bright American or German girls who would be willing to go into the country. The Celtic girls, as a rule, dislike to leave the cities.

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mi e on valley and four cents per mile on mountain routes.

Dry-goods, clothing, and, in fact, all the lighter class of goods can be purchased as cheaply as in the Western States. Heavy goods, where freight is an important item of cost, are more expensive.

Banks, both commercial and savings, are p'enty, the current rate of interest at this time le ng acven to nine per cent per annum. Hotel accommodation both good and reasonable, fair board being obtained at twenty-five cent per meal and four dollars. wenty-five cents per meal and four doll ser week. First-class hotels charge tr wo to four dollars per day for room a